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Sec. of State Brewer Appoints Royann Jordan Parker for Clean Elections Seat

Expects New Commissioner to be Evenhanded in Implementing Clean Elections Law

PHOENIX – Secretary of State Jan Brewer today appointed Tucson Republican Royann Jordan Parker to serve on the Citizens Clean Elections Commission. The appointment officially fills the vacancy for the seat left open by the resignation of Commissioner Clark Dierks, and is scheduled to expire on January 31st, 2011.

Royann Jordan Parker is a life-long Arizonan who has resided in Pima County for the past ten years. She is currently a substitute teacher and homemaker, and has been active in the Republican Party, including being a candidate for the Arizona House of Representatives (District 20) in 1982. Mrs. Parker also served as an Arizona Delegate to the 1984 Republican National Convention in Dallas, Texas. She was appointed by Governor Jane Dee Hull and confirmed by the Arizona State Senate, to serve on the Commission on Appellate Court Appointments from 2002 – 2003. She is the daughter of former State Representative Lillian Jordan.

"Royann will bring a great deal of fairness and consistency to the Clean Election process," stated Secretary Brewer, "I am very impressed with her understanding of government and the election process and I feel her energy and dedication to doing a good job will serve the citizens of Arizona extremely well. I have every confidence that Royann will do an outstanding job in serving on the Clean Election Commission."

No more than two members of the Clean Election Commission may be residents of the same county and no more than two may be members of the same political party. All candidates for this Commissioner seat had to meet the following criteria per Arizona Revised Statute:

- Shall not be a member of the Democratic Party;
- Shall have been registered to vote continuously recorded for at least five years immediately preceding appointment with the same political party or as an independent;
- Shall be committed to enforcing the Act in an honest, independent and impartial fashion and to seek to uphold public confidence in the integrity of the electoral system;
- Shall be a qualified elector who has not, in the previous five years in the state, been appointed to, been elected to, or run for any public office, including precinct committeeman, or served as an officer of a political party;
- No commissioner, during his or her tenure or for three years thereafter, shall seek or hold any other public office, serve as an officer or a political party;
- No commissioner, during his or her tenure or for three years thereafter, shall seek or hold any other public office, serve as an officer of any political committee, or employ or be employed as a lobbyist.